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November 5, 2001

Via Federal Express

David Waddell, Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

RE: Complaint of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Regarding the Practices of VarTec Telecom, Inc., d/b/a VarTec Telecom and Clear Choice Communications Company, in the Reporting of Percent Interstate Usage for Compensation for Jurisdictional Access Services - Docket No. 01-00906

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed are the original and thirteen (13) copies of VarTec Telecom's Consent Motion for Extension of Time to Respond to Complaint. A copy is being provided to BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. An extra copy is enclosed and I will ask that you stamp it as received and return it in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Sincerely

∕James H. Lister

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Before the TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY Nashville, Tennessee

In the Matter of

Complaint of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

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CONSENT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO COMPLAINT

Defendant VarTec Telecom, Inc., by counsel, ("VarTec") Tennessee Regulatory respectfully requests that the Authority ("TRA") extend to November 13, 2001 the time within which VarTec must respond to the Complaint filed in Telecommunications, BellSouth this docket by ("BellSouth"). BellSouth consents to this extension. In support of this Motion, VarTec states as follows:

- (1) BellSouth filed its Complaint on October 18, 2001. Pursuant to TRA Rule 1220-1-2-03(1), VarTec's response was due 30 days later. Thus, the response was originally scheduled to be due on Monday, November 19, 2001 (November 17 is a Saturday) and VarTec has been planning to respond by that date.
- (2) On October 23, 2001 the TRA reduced the response time to 14 days, meaning a response was due on or about

November 2, 2001. It appears that VarTec was not given notice of the October 23 hearing.

- (3) VarTec learned of the new response time today (November 5, 2001). Therefore, VarTec cannot prepare a response and file it within the response period as it was reduced on October 23, 2001.
- (4) VarTec procured BellSouth's consent to an extension of the response time through November 13, 2001 and in a conference call today the Assigned Hearing Officer, the Honorable John Wike, agreed with VarTec and BellSouth that such extension was appropriate.

WHEREFORE, VarTec requests an extension of the response date through November 13, 2001. The form of a proposed Order is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

VarTec Telecom, Inc.

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Certificate of Service

The undersigned certifies that on this $5^{\rm th}$ day of November, 2001 he caused the forgoing Motion and proposed Order to be sent by facsimile and deposited in first-class U.S. mail for delivery to:

Hon. John Wike Hearing Officer Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

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Order Extending Time To Respond to Complaint

Upon Motion of VarTec Telecom, Inc., and with the consent of Complainant BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., it is this ___ date of November, 2001 Ordered that the date by which VarTec must respond to the complaint in this docket (which was previously reduced on October 23, 2001) is hereby extended to November 13, 2001.

John Wike Hearing Officer

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